David MacPherson earns MMR 314

As a young boy David MacPherson became interested in railroading while living across the street from the New Haven main line in Brockton, MA. He received an American Flyer train set one Christmas that sparked an interest in model railroading in him, and when he reached the age of 12, he started his first HO-scale layout. His hobby was put on the back burner for a while when he became a teenager with a driver's license and never got started again until some years later after he had married, moved to East Bridgewater, MA, and had two children. He found some space in his basement suitable for a layout, and he purchased all of the benchwork and equipment from one of his neighbors who had decided to quit model railroading. The Clinch Mountain Railway was born.

It is a New England based bridge route of the 1950s that interchanges with all the local roads of that era. There is both steam and first-generation diesel power on the line. The layout is finished (as much as one ever is) and David plans to construct some more scratchbuilt structures in the near future. The CMR was open for visitation during the 1986 National Convention in Boston, and for several Regional Conventions.

David joined the NMRA in January 1973 as well the Northeastern Region and the Hub Division, and is a life member of the latter. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Hub Division for several years and he was the Chairman of the Layout Tours Committee for the 1986 NMRA National Convention in Boston.

He has earned Achievement Certificates in Scenery, Structures, Civil Engineer, Electrical Engineer, cars, Association Volunteer and Model Railroad Author. It is a great honor for me to have been awarded the Master Model Railroader Certificate and to be a part of the National Model Railroad Association.